

Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Total Maximum Daily Load Information Sheet

Craven Ditch

Water Body Segment at a Glance:

County: Butler

Nearby City: Poplar Bluff

Water Body ID: 2816 Segment Length: 11.6 miles

Pollutants: Low dissolved oxygen

Source: Unknown



Scheduled for TMDL development: 2023

Description of the Problem

Designated beneficial uses of Craven Ditch:

- Livestock and Wildlife Watering
- Irrigation
- Protection of Warm Water Aquatic Life
- Protection of Human Health (Fish Consumption)
- Secondary Contact Recreation

Uses that are impaired:

• Protection of Warm Water Aquatic Life

Standards that apply

• The dissolved oxygen criterion applicable to Craven Ditch is found in Table A of Missouri's Water Quality Standards at 10 CSR 20.7.031. Table A states that the minimum allowable dissolved oxygen concentration for warm-water and cool-water fisheries is 5 milligrams per liter (mg/L).

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Background information and water quality data

Craven Ditch is a channelized stream partially located within the municipal boundary of Poplar Bluff. Craven Ditch provides an alternative flow pathway between Pike Creek and Main Ditch. A water is judged to be impaired due to low dissolved oxygen if ten percent or more of available dissolved oxygen measurements fall below the water quality criterion of 5 mg/L. For Craven Ditch, six dissolved oxygen measurements were made in 1992. Of these six measurements, four were found to be below 5 mg/L. This equates to a 67 percent exceedance rate. For this reason, Craven Ditch was judged to be impaired due to low dissolved oxygen.

Dissolved Oxygen Data

Org	Site Code	Site Name	Мо	Day	Year	Time	Dissolved Oxygen
MDNR	2816/3.4	@bridge 0.5 mi. Below confluence w/ Pike Cr.	9	1	1992	745	4.5
MDNR	2816/3.4	@bridge 0.5 mi. Below confluence w/ Pike Cr.	9	2	1992	645	4.7
MDNR	2816/3.4	@bridge 0.5 mi. Below confluence w/ Pike Cr.	9	3	1992	630	4.8
MDNR	2816/5.5	Craven Ditch @Hwy 158 bridge	9	1	1992	700	5.2
MDNR	2816/5.5	Craven Ditch @Hwy 158 bridge	9	2	1992	600	5.4
MDNR	2816/5.5	Craven Ditch @Hwy 158 bridge	9	3	1992	700	2.5

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Poplar Bluff Pike Cr. Sample Site at Hwy 158 bridge Ackerman Ditch 160 Harviell Craven Ditch 67 Legend Impaired Segment Sample Site at bridge 0.5 mile Sample Site below confluence w/ Pike Cr. Stream Municipal Area eelyville Miles

Map Showing Craven Ditch and Sample Sites

Note: Final TMDLs developed for Craven Ditch will be based on the most current and available data and information.

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